

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A stable ready-to-use [stabilized] liquid pharmaceutical botulinum toxin formulation for therapeutic use in humans, comprising
  - a pharmaceutically acceptable buffered saline [capable of providing] which provides a buffered pH range to the formulation between pH 5 and pH 6, and
    - a therapeutic concentration of a purified botulinum toxin suitable for use in humans [of purified botulinum toxin] an excipient protein comprising serum albumin; and

wherein the formulation is capable of being stable as a liquid when stored for at least one year at a temperature between about 0 and 10 degrees centigrade [ $\pm 10\%$ ] or for at least 6 months at a temperature between about 10 and 30°C.
  2. (Cancelled)
  3. (Cancelled)
  4. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 1, wherein said buffered pH is pH  $5.6 \pm 0.2$ .
  5. (Original) The formulation of claim 1, wherein said toxin formulation is stable in liquid form for at least two years.
  6. (Cancelled)
  7. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 6, wherein said buffered saline comprises a buffering component which buffering component is selected from the group consisting of phosphate buffer, phosphate-citrate buffer, and succinate buffer.

8. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 1, wherein said botulinum toxin serotype is of a botulinum toxin serotype[type] selected from the group consisting of Types serotypes A, B, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, D, E, F and G.
9. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 8, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin Type B present at a said therapeutic concentration in the range of 100-20,000 U/ml  $\pm$  10%.
10. (Previously Presented) The formulation of claim 9, wherein said botulinum toxin Type B is present in a high molecular weight complex of 700 kilodaltons (kD)  $\pm$  10%.
11. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 9, wherein said botulinum toxin Type B is present at a said therapeutic concentration between 1000-5000 U/ml.
12. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 8, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin Type A, and is present in the stable ready-to-use liquid pharmaceutical formulation [present] at a said therapeutic concentration in the range of between 20-2000 U/ml.
13. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 12, wherein said botulinum toxin Type A is present in the stable, ready-to-use liquid pharmaceutical formulation at a said therapeutic concentration in the range of between 100-1000 U/ml.
14. (Currently Amended) The formulation of claim 1, [which further includes an excipient protein.] wherein the stable, ready-to-use liquid formulation comprises 100 mM sodium chloride; 10mM succinate buffer at a buffered pH of 5.6; 10 mM succinate buffer at a buffered pH of 5.6; 0.5 mg/mL human serum albumin; and botulism botulinum type B present at a concentration of 5,000 + 1000 U/ml.
15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A stable, ready-to-use [stabilized] liquid pharmaceutical formulation comprising serum albumin, botulinum toxin formulation for therapeutic use in humans, comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable [liquid] buffered saline which provides [capable of providing] a buffered pH range to the formulation [between] of pH 5.6 [5 and pH 6], and [a therapeutic concentration suitable for use in humans of purified] botulinum toxin that is stable in said formulation; and [the toxin formulation is capable of being stable as a liquid when stored] for at least about 6 months at a temperature between 10 and 30 degrees centigrade ± 10%, and further comprises 100 mM sodium chloride; 10 mM succinate buffer at a buffered pH of 5.6; 0.5 mg/ml human serum albumin and botulinum type B present at a concentration of 5,000 + 1000 U/ml.

17.-28. (Cancelled)

29. (Previously Presented) A method of treating a patient in need of inhibition of cholinergic input to a selected muscle, muscle group, gland or organ, comprising administering to the selected muscle, muscle group, gland or organ of the patient a pharmaceutically effective dose of a stabilized liquid botulinum toxin formulation of claims 1 or 16.

30. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said patient is suffering from a disorder selected from the group consisting of spasticity, blepharospasm, strabismus, hemifacial spasm, dystonia, otitis media, spastic colitis, animus, urinary detrusor-sphincter dyssynergia, jaw-clenching, and curvature of the spine.

31. (Original) The method of claim 30, wherein said patient is suffering from spasticity due to one or more of the group consisting of stroke, spinal cord injury, closed head trauma, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, and Parkinson's disease.

32. (Original) The method of claim 30, wherein said patient is suffering from a dystonia selected from the group consisting of spasmotic torticollis (cervical dystonia), spasmotic dysphonia, limb dystonia, laryngeal dystonia, and oromandibular (Meige's) dystonia.
33. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said selected muscle or muscle group produces a wrinkle or a furrowed brow.
34. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said muscle is a perineal muscle and wherein said patient is in the process of giving birth to a child.
35. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said patient is suffering from a condition selected from the group consisting of myofascial pain, headache associated with migraine, vascular disturbances, neuralgia, neuropathy, arthritis pain, back pain, hyperhidrosis, rhinorrhea, asthma, excessive salivation, and excessive stomach acid secretion.
36. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said formulation is stable as a liquid for at least one year at a temperature of about  $5\pm3$  degrees centigrade.
37. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said formulation is stable as a liquid for at least one year at a temperature of about  $4\pm2$  degrees centigrade.
38. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said formulation is stable as a liquid for at least two years at a temperature between about 0 and 20 degrees centigrade.
39. (Original) The method of a claim 29, wherein said buffered pH range is about pH  $5.6\pm0.2$
40. (Cancelled)

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein said buffered saline is selected from the group consisting of phosphate buffer, phosphate-citrate buffer, and succinate buffer.
42. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said botulinum toxin is a botulinum toxin serotype selected from the group consisting of serotypes A, B, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, D, E, F and G.
43. (Original) The method of claim 42, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin Type B present at a concentration in the range of about 100-20,000 U/ml.
44. (Original) The method of claim 43, wherein said botulinum toxin Type B is present in a high molecular weight complex of about 700 kD.
45. (Original) The method of claim 43, wherein said botulinum toxin Type B is present at a concentration of about 1000-5000 U/ml.
46. (Original) The method of claim 42, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin Type A, present at a concentration in the range of about 20-2000 U/ml.
47. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein said botulinum toxin Type A is present at a concentration in the range of about 100-1000 U/ml.
48. (Cancelled)
49. (Original) The method of claim 48, wherein said excipient protein is selected from the group consisting of serum albumin, recombinant human serum albumin, and gelatin.

50. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said patient is refractory to botulinum toxin Type A and said botulinum toxin in said formulation is selected from the group consisting of botulinum serotypes B, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, D, E, F and G.

51. (Original) The method of claim 50, wherein said botulinum toxin in said formulation is botulinum toxin Type B.

52. (Original) The method of claim 29, wherein said patient is refractory to botulinum toxin Type B and said botulinum toxin in said formulation is selected from the group consisting of botulinum serotypes A, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, D, E, F and G.

53. (Original) The method of claim 52, wherein said botulinum toxin in said formulation is botulinum toxin Type A.